

## **Environmental Services**

## Calendar Listing

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## CITY OF SAN DIEGO HOSTS TWO SAFETY TRAININGS ON LEAD-BASED PAINT

Did you know that lead-based paint is extremely dangerous to infants and children and, if ingested, can cause learning disabilities, hyperactivity and even brain damage? Or, that San Diego ranks fourth in California for number of residences at high risk for lead hazards?

According to a City of San Diego Municipal Code, it is illegal to create or maintain a lead hazard. To help the San Diego business community comply with local, state and federal regulations regarding lead hazards, the City of San Diego Environmental Services Department is conducting two seminars on the responsibilities of working with lead-based paint:

- Tuesday, July 20, 2004: Lead Safe Work Practices from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; for renovators, remodelers, painters and maintenance personnel; cost: \$10, to be paid before the conference date.
- Wednesday, July 21, 2004: Lead Awareness from 9 to 11:30 a.m.; for landlords, maintenance personnel, property owners and property managers; <u>free</u>.

Both programs take place at the Ridgehaven "Green Building" Auditorium, located at 9601 Ridgehaven Court, in Kearny Mesa, 92123. Reservations are required and can be made by going to <a href="http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/geninfo/calendar.shtml">http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/geninfo/calendar.shtml</a> and printing an online lead training flyer, or by contacting Dawn Stewart at (858) 492-5005 or at <a href="mailto:DStewart@sandiego.gov">DStewart@sandiego.gov</a>. For more information about what will be covered in the training, contact Ted Tulle at (858) 627-3307. These workshops are sponsored by the City of San Diego Lead Safe Neighborhoods Program.